# Series I Correspondence, 1932-1973

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1443 East Main Road Portsmouth, Rhode Island 2 February 1960

Dear Admiral Bates:

I trust that all is well with you and that the salubrious breezes from the Pacific have helped to keep you fit and full of vigor. However you are dearly missed on the East Coast and I can't begin to even imagine what the ladies on the Avenue are doing now that you are away. Our weather has been miserable and you are wise to remain in California until Newport is out of the winter humdrum.

Yesterday I spent the day with the Eccles. The Admiral has set up an office in his home and I went over to help with his files. We got almost everything out of boxes and into some semblance of order and it was a lot of fun. They are a wonderful pair and most understanding. The Admiral left in the afternoon to fly to Ohio where, as you well know, he is scheduled for several lectures.

I am hoping to be called to Raytheon. I haven't seeked employment elsewhere because I sincerely believe that I could be of service at Raytheon. I have passed the necessary test for secretarial position and it is just a matter of waiting for a position opening. Of course a reminder to the right party wouldn't hurt matters and very possibly might help to uncover my application from the deluge which has flooded the personnel office at Raytheon in the past few weeks. Any suggestions?

The proposed bridge from the Point Section of Newport to Jamestown is causing the expected amount of controversy. The question which puzzles most people is: Would the bridge benefit Newport economically or would it just be a burden to the taxpayers and merely a convenience to travellers? The pros are not very convincing and make weak statements that it might bring people to Newport. Time will tell and the right decision will be made after all the issues are considered.

The Kings are well and happy. Joan is busy with her school work at St. Catherine's — Herb is busy keeping the College shining — and I am restless.

Take good care of yourself. I wish I had a little joke to pass on to you, but I miss my contacts at the College. I am sure you will come back with some fresh repartee and I look forward to seeing you on your return.

Forgive me for rambling on. I shall close with best wishes from us all.

Respectfully,

Como King

#### NAVAL WAR COLLEGE NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

3 February 1960

Dear Admiral Bates:

I was delighted to hear from you and will get off a quick note before I take your epistle home to Charlotte.

I know that you have heard from a great many people in Newport. I wondered how they got word to you - they must have placed their notes in bottles and thrown them off shore from the Clambake Club. We had expected you back in the East before this, and from the sound of your roamings, it would be hard to locate you. Actually, I expected to be hearing any minute of you from Honolulu or Hong Kong. Instead, now you are considering Tahiti or La Paz.

A couple of weeks ago we had General Trudeau here, who gave his usual outstanding presentation. He asked for you before he came up and I told him that if you were back I would arrange for us all to be together socially. He was disappointed that you were not here and I assured him I actually didn't know where you were.

I know that you have heard of Mrs. Ingersoll's serious illness. However, now she is home and appears to be progressing very nicely. Admiral Ingersoll is in fine shape and is as active as ever. As usual, crises between here and the Pentagon seem to be occurring every day.

I have no orders as yet, but we are still hoping for Spain. The question of the actual spaces has not as yet been resolved.

You asked about Mrs. Brown. I understand she is going to Europe the last part of this month. Flanagan has finished his editing and I have furnished her various summaries - however, I don't know how she stands so far as the maps are concerned.

Have a great time in San Francisco. Keep your health. We are looking forward to seeing you before too long. I am sure you will be hearing shortly from Charlotte.

Best regards,

R. G. FERGUSSON Colonel, Infantry

Chief, Army Advisory Group

A P.S. from Ros (Ramsbotham)
We miss your colorful personality around here. I am busy right now in the throes of moving to bigger apartment. Also am very happy spoiling and loving my adorable 5-month old grandson. Hope we will all be seeing you soon.

#### ALLEN DRURY - "ADVISE AND CONSENT"

"He could not say, looking back, exactly where the blame was to be placed; except that he knew, as he had told an audience in San Francisco only last week, that 'it lies on all of us.' A universal guilt enshrouded the middle years of the twentieth century in America; and it attached to all who participated in those times. It attached to the fatuous, empty-headed liberals who made it so easy for the Russians by yielding them so much; it attached to the embittered conservatives who had closed the doors on human love and frozen out all possibility of communication between peoples. It rested on the military, who had been too jealous of one another and too slow, and on the scientists, who had been too self-righteous and irresponsible and smug about shifting the implications of what they did onto someone else, and on the press, which had been too lazy and too compliant in the face of evils foreign and domestic, and on the politicians, who had been too self-interested and not true enough to the destiny of the land they had in keeping, and not least upon the ordinary citizen and his wife, who somehow didn't give quite enough of a damn about their country in spite of all their self-congratulatory airs about how patriotic they were. Nobody could stand forth now in America and say, 'I am guiltless. I had no part in this. I did not help bring America down from her bright pinnacle.' For that would be to deny that one lived through those years, and only babies and little children could say that."

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## Herbert Hoover Warns About Reds

Herbert Hoover said today that the United States is in the midst of six dangerous crises that could destroy the country unless Americans shake off apathy and fight back with all the moral strength they can muster.

The main foes, said Hoover, are Communist nations, the ideology of Karl Marx, inflation, foreign trade competition, union corruption, and a drastic increase in the crime rate.

Hoover made a veiled reference to events in Cuba in commerce and industry. touching on Communism.

"We have in the Communist nations implacable enemies, whose determination-

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 destroy and dominate the (UPI) — Former President free world," he said. "And they are succeeding at our very doorstep."

> This country, he said, also is plagued "with the infection of Karl Marx in both the thinking of our people and the actions of our own Government."

Addressing the National up trucks. Council of United Presbyterian Men, Hoover said that more leaders of the Christian faiths need to realize that the ultimate aim of Marxism is to reduce life to pure materialism, with the Government in charge of all are like hermit crabs which

"This infection creeps through our Nation by deluded and misled men and by disguised organizations, despite their disguises of fronts and cults," he said. peaceful co-operations—is to "These agents of infection

## **Custom Cars** To Be Judged at Roadster Show

More than 130 roadsters and custom cars will go on display Friday when the 12th annual National Roadster Show opens for ten days at the Oakland Exposition Building.

Entrants from Washington, Oregon and California will compete for 68 awards with everything from sleek, bubble-top custom sportscars to roadsters and modified pick-

The show will open at 6 p. m. on weekdays. On weekends and Washington's Birthday, it will be open from 1 to 10 p.m.

crawl into such terms as 'Liberal', 'Progressive', Public Electric Power', 'Managed Economy', 'The Welfare Economy', 'The Welfare State', and others."

Another major crisis facing the country, he said, was the "increasing moral slump" reflected in a soaring crime rate and public corruption.

"From 1946 to 1957, the increase in (major known) crimes was three times greater than the increase in population, and in 1958 these crimes increased over 9 per cent," he said. "In 1958 over 12 per cent of those arrested for these crimes were under 18 years of age.'

Added to this, he said, is the "daily exposure of municipal corruption, the operation of some television and radio programs, and even the operation of meat, fuel oil and retail shops."

Law enforcement machinery, he said, has become "deplorably" weakened.

The Nation, he said, must awaken from apathy.

"It needs a great stir of conscience that certain evils be ended."

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## BEAUDETTE FOUNDATION

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R.F.D. 1, BOX 482 — SOLVANG, CALIFORNIA

Admiral R. E. Bates, US Navy War College Newport, Thode Island

My dear Dick:-

This important book, "Protracted Conflict" which you gave me, I had read, almost at one sitting, and have just delivered it to General Gruber, who is just back from his tour of Europe.

It is a very important book, and in calm and informed and professional competency it states an inescapable fact which is that we are at war, and that war is not going our way, and will not until we get on to ourselves and recognize the goal, method and power of an enemy. He feints, wtihdraws, advances, pesters, irritates, smiles, kids, and stirs up hostilities towards us where he can, and believes that he can soften us for the final punch.

These authors are not frightened old ladies, or politicians who would use the fear of the Communists to advance themselves politically. They are informed and careful scholars, and what they write should be pondered from high places down to the individual, who enjoys his prosperity and wants desperately to thinks that NK and his kind will in the end come across to our way of doing things.

Someone said; our politicians are stupid, our people are naive, and our military are divided, and all of us are confused. We think that in "competition" we can win, and we do not recognize that it is not competition, as GE and Westinghouse for example, but it is war to the end! Can you imagine GE handling the tremendous job of research, new materials, new gadgets, advertisings Basbic decisions, with the decisions determined by all employed among whom many are completely in the dark. How much more difficulty when it is "conflict" and not "competition". We must do it that way, but we must stir up the voters to recognize that every movement, is carefully planned by this dexterous fighter in the ring!

Lets keep at it! Thank you for the book. Watch it travel!

What do you know of "The Committees of Correspondence" prior to our revolution?

P02502 Carmel, Cal February 15 Affectionately



President Robert M. Hatchins, The Fund for The Republic Santa Barbara, California

My dear Dr. Butching :-

Thank you for the "Report of the President 1958-59" which I have just received. May I also thank you for the various publications of the Fund which I receive from time to time, and plant, as I may be able, in good ground.

I wish I could sometime talk to you of this project which is going on in Italy in the translation of US books and documents concerned with "The Art of Demogracy". The program was initiated by members of the department of Jurisprudence of the University of Rome, under the driving force of Dottore Wegri, and financed by a subjection from our mutual friend, Ambassador James David Zellerbach. There have been issued now four books and two more are on their way. After the original gift, the books have pretty much paid their way. The translators and publishers (Lischi -Nistri) do what they do, for the value and the joy of doing. Il Federalists, the first translation of The Federalist Papers into Italian, was a "best seller! The others have sold also yery well.

What I wish very much would be done by someone in your organization, if appropriate, is to put the University of Rome, on the list, and through Prof. Suglielmo Negri, Via Archimede 35, Rome, Italy.

Curiously this "project" got started in 1952, and came, to some degree, out of the sponsoring of my investigation of the situation of returned students, by Scott Fletcher, President of the Fund for Adult Education. My part was very minor, but it gave me a very good sensation, — and still does.

I think we can cooperate with your Republic through this Monterey Institute of Foreign Studies, which also owes its initial push to David Zellerbach. N. K. said in India that the USA is growing old!! How do you feel?

P02502 Carmel, Cal February 13, 1960

Cordially

Mr. and Mr. Leonard Carpenter PO Box, Carmel, California

Dear Friends:-

May I again, speak for your continued interest and care of the Monterey Institute of Foreign Studies. This is a demonstration in the training and fitting of American scholars, students, travelers, representatives of industry, etc. serving in other lands, and also of adding to the facility in the use of foreign languages by teachers who teach the same!

We have completed five seminars with an increase of effectiveness, constant enlargement of enrollment and now have the evidences, in our graduates, that we are on the right path.

The budget for 1960 will be reaching up to \$50,000. The tuition paid by students goes up accordingly and I can see the day coming when it will be quite self supporting. It looks as if we will become this year the agency of several world ser ing corporations in San Francisco and when that happeness we shall have arrived. But for the present this proving needs the support of friends who believe and who serve and who merrily give!

You will be interested in the attached excerpt from "Advise and Consent" which says it!

Whatever you two dear people are intending to give, may I suggest that the months before the summer seminar are a bit lean....

This has nothing to do with the above, — but I am so very glad that Mrs. Leonard Carpenter is now a member of the Board of the Carmel Foundation.

What a fine illustration we have in Carmel, — like an old New England Town — of the resolution of the people who live here to do what they can to meet together the needs of the community and not running to Santa Claus for help. Self Reliance is basic to Americana!

Don't let the appeal, above, burden you. If this is something you can and wish to do, it will help, — but never any importunity. I know — no one knows better — that all good people who give to Causes are inevitably bombarded by many appeals, — and I have always held the happy intention that whenever I write something like this, I want it as easy to Say "No!" as "Yes".

Affectionately&

Lincoln's Birthday

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M. Gaspard Stiemes Weies President Konterey Institute of Persign Studies PO Box 1522, Monterey, Galifornia

My dear Caspard:-

Attached is a folder from Converse College, in Spartenburg, South Carolina. Note that this institution is also getting on the marry bandregon in this Institute of Foreign Studies. This is good. I have one of these days we can tie together, Hiddebury, Converse, and whatever other colleges are getting into the drama!

I am attending also the list of committees you have suggested. If you will take the trouble to set up committee meetings, in which I am involved, I shall be very glad to come and do what I can.

Please note the attached excerpt from "advise and Consent". It puts its finger on the sore!

I want very much to have you read "Protracted Conflict" by the wise of the Foreign Ricy Research Institute. This is a very important book, and the persons responsible should be definitely on our list of correspondents. I will fellow up on this.

I have a wonderful letter from Dottors Tagri concerning the translation of US books and documents, with referentato the "Art of Democracy", for which imbassaicr Letkerback gave us the leurching subvention. We get along fine now mithout any further help, for the sale of the books pretty much cares for the translation and publishing of new ones! These Italian scholars do it for the value and the joy of deing.

Be sure to reed carefully the January 1960 issue of The Dulletin of the Institute of International Education. Note pages marked.

In the expansion we plan, the widening opportunities, and the "growing pains" we want very much to have the Grown Zellerbach Foundation continue an integral part of the project, and following the population and commend at the meeting called by the tremmer, the Counters of Kinnoul, it would seem to me a proper request would be \$10,000,00. Nagri's praise of David Zellerbach is a magnificent citation. I have passed on his letter to illen Griffin, but when it comes back I will send it up to Mr. Shephard and show it to you. MK said the USA is getting old!! Lets show him!

P02502

Carmel, Cal

February 13

Cordially

Fresident H.C. Mc Clellan Old Colony Paint Company Los Angeles, California

Dear Chad:

I have been waiting to hear from you with the great hope that you would be able to come up here and spend a day with us.

The place is certainly buzzing with activity, and I think the best thing we could do would be to have a quiet luncheon either at the Old Capital Club or at the United Ctates Kaval Postgraduate School, to which you are invited by the Commandant, Admiral E.E. Yeomans.

That interests me most of all in your coming is time to sit down and meditate, recall, and wonder with your own gracious self.

Have you read, "Advise and Consent" by Allen Drury? By all means, read pages 36 and 37. He puts his finger right on the sore spot. Heet the "smile on the face of the tiger" is not only a job for those officially responsible but on the part of us all who share a measure of guilt.

I think as Ambassador Zellerbach has made very clear in his aldress, "Lessons From the History of Rome" that America is to stand by virtue of inner strength and faith and not because of the marauders. You certainly are pulling your weight. God bless you.

Please let me know when you can come up and how long you can stay. I sincerely hope you can bring Katie.

Affectionate regards.

Always,

Remsen D. Bird

Dottore Guglielmo Negri Via Archimede, 35, Rome, Italy

Dear Gugliolmo:-

Coincidence! I was on my way to mail you a great package of documents and a letter, wondering how it was with you, and there was your very welcome letter. Messings on Rudolph and his lovely mother, father, sister, and all members of this family, dear to us!

You have had much to occupy your time and heart, and we are very glad that all is well with Marina again, and your mother. Your many services to the Cause of world understanding, to the training of the people of Italy in the art of Democracy, and in teaching, publishing, serving the Camerydei Deputati, and all else, constantly inspires me!

Saving the hard won freedom and its laws and defense is the job of people, just people, of faith, and dedication, — and that certainly is being done by you and your associates, and by His Excellency, Ambassador James David Zellerbach, whom we both admire and with understanding that that admiration is well gounded.

You know he told me that he never got so much from any benefaction as he had from the money he gave you and me. And now, bless him, he says that you are "too cheap".

I feel the same way about his help, and that of the Crown Zellerbach Foundation, in what they are doing for the Monterey Institute of Foreign Studies.

Please note what I have written to Ambassador Zellerbach, and also to Admiral R. W. Bates. He was wit us recently and we are working together now with smooth bore! He is writing the History of the US Navy in the Second World War. Now be sure to get a copy of "Protracted Conflict" by the Foreign Policy Research Institute. If you cannot find one in Rome, at the USIS Library, I will send you one.

I can use ten copies of the two books which are added to our collection. I will tell you where I will plant them.

I hope very much that Adriano Olivetti will come to see me here and we can do some first class planning. He wrote me of the Underwood-Olivetti combination. I want him to give the Romsen Bird lectures at Occdental for which President Coons has invited him. Paul Webb will be coming home soon and also the Cahagans. See them before they go.

Helen's mother (93) is still in the nursing home and our concern for her keeps us in the USA, but one of these days we shall have a grand reunion. Isn't it wonderful what has been accomplished by the "hormones" of the Zellerbach Grant, — and your vision.

Italy, France, Great Britain and the USA must be strong and proving, and young, young!!

Februar: 13, 1960 Carmel, PO 2502

Love to all fr m both

## BEAUDETTE FOUNDATION

For Biological Research

R.F.D. 1, BOX 482 - SOLVANG, CALIFORNIA

Admiral R. W. Bates Navy War College Newport, R. I.

My dear Admiral:-

What a very gracious and encouraging letter you have written to me, and under date of February 9th, at the Bohemian Club, and with your own hand! I am very grateful.

Your days here gave us all much pleasure and more than that, a deepening for me of a valued friendship.

What Raymond Spruance told you of me and this Olivetti is true and I have a merry time of it nearly every morning, bringing, by its magic, into this room, friends from all over the world. It is good to have you included.

Robert Louis Stevenson, with typical Scottish understatement observed that finding a friend is much better that finding a five pound note!

That goes not only for the satisfaction of the days, but it is also something to be magnified and covering the globe. The effort which is made by our government to establish friendly relations is a matter not only for those "higher up" but for every one of us sovereigns, wherever he may be, for there is no one who cannot help create the atmosphere of mutuality and understanding.

The war we are now engaged in is fundamentally one with the "pricipalities and powers of the air".

Dr. Arthur Larson, (USIA, etc) has been with us this week, and we have had good talk of this project which he leads at Duke University concerned with International Law and making itwork. But Law to work depends on accepted ethics and national and personal morality, and the enemy at the present time does not accept the standards which we share with our associates.

The day may come when the scientists, engineers, technicians, and the talented and creative and trained of the universities will demand the decencies and of life, — but until that happens, we must be wary.

Blessings on you. Lets keep in touch with one another. Please read the attached folder on The Beaudette Foundation.

P02502 Lincoln(s Birthday Affectionately

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Mr. K. L. Carver San Marino, California

My Dear K. L.:

Last evening I read the Annual Report of the Bank of American and was very pleased to note among its Directors and Advisory Council — which I knew anyway — K. L. Carver, Robert Di Giorgio, Louis B. Lundborg, Weil Petree, Louis A. Petri, and Russell G. Smith — particularly, K. L. Carver.

Since our retirement — and the great peace of mind that Arthur's devotion gives us — we have been having, what we never expected, a most satisfying chapter in our life. In connection therewith, many opportunities to pull our weighthave come along and I shall be, to the end of my days, grateful to the Board of Trustees of the College and others who have made this chapter possible and particularly Chad.

Right now, as the attached indicates, we have an opportunity to weave some proper webs with the Bank of America. You can well imagine how happy I am to find among its personnel an Occidental graduate, Ralph Boynton.

In fact it is very pleasant and somewhat amusing that wherever I turn for counsel or cooperation, pretty much over the map, for some leader to assist or counsel there is someone from Occidental.

If you ever come up this way K.L, be sure to let me know.

With kindest regards,

Remsen D. Bird

Director
The Academy of Political Science
Columbia University
New York 27, New York

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the invitation extended to me to become a member of the Academy of Political Science.

Many years ago, it was my privilege to be the President of the Political Science Academy Center in Los Angeles, however, as soon as my so-called retirement, I am afraid I have allowed my membership to elapse.

I shall be very glad to be on the list again; I enclose check.

Sincerely yours,

Remsen D. Bird

February 9, 1960

President Robert E. Burns College of the Pacific Stockton 4, California

My Dear President Burns:

Thank you for your letter of February 6. Please come over sometime soon. I am sure that a conversation with you would be fruitful.

The "Oxford Plan" of higher education seems to me a natural, and once tried in an American educational center its bound to apread.

Even though the colleges of Southern California are separated by some thirty or forty miles, it would seem to me that they could be brought together in some kind of Oxonian pattern. Of all places on earth, it would seem to me, also, that Monterey is a community for such a demonstration.

It is good to know that you with your vision and your drive have seized this opportunity by its forelock.

"ith highest personal regards and best of good wishes.

Sincerely yours.

Remsen D. Bird

Mr. John H. Macleod Wallingford, Vermont

My Dear Mr. Macleod:

Thank you for your letter and the enclosure. I had already written to Dame Flora — you know we love her!

I read this article you sent me concerning "Progressive Conservatism". It is a good title anyway.

I am enclosing a folder of the Beaudette Biological Foundation in which I feel sure you will be interested. What particularly concerns me is its sociological implication.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Remsen D. Bird

Dr. Townsend Hiller # United States Consulate Guadalajara, Mexico

My Dear Dr. Willer:

Larry showed me the other evening your letter concerning the project of the "Three Queens". What a corking subject for a book!

It would seem to me that you have a number of qualifications which should be very convincing to the Saxton Memorial Trust. Let me know more about the Trust, and I shall be glad to write them directly.

Have you taken it up with Dr. Henry Moe of the Guggenheim Foundation? It strikes me as a subject that lies definitely within the cause of this Foundation.

I noted the reference in your letter to Larry to me. I shall be very glad to do anything I can.

Cordially,

Remsen D. Bird

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Admiral E.E. Yeomans Commandant United States Naval Postgraduate School Monterey, California

My Dear Admiral Yeomans:

Thank you for the copy of your letter to Chancellor Gould. Everything seems nicely set now for the luncheon, and I am attacking the tenative list.

I have acceptances from all except Dean Glasgow. I saw Captain Williams at the Club yesterday and invited him. Your honorable aide told me the room comfortably seats sixteen. With our guest of honor, the attached list makes sixteen. I hope this meets with your approval.

I will meet Chancellor Gould at the airplane, and will arrange his time subject to your approval.

General Fritzsche has invited him to inspect Fort Ord, and perhaps it would be wise for us to take him first to Fort Ord and then to bring him to you. I will give you a call.

Cordially,

Remsen D. Bird



Reverend Robert B. Appleyard Christ Church Greenwich, Connecticut

My Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter of February 3rd. Your visit here and that of your levely Katie will always remain in memory a warming experience.

I want to keep you informed of what goes on here, but I am sure that you are loaded to the very limit in your responsibilities in your community and elsewhere. So don't take on the obligation of answering.

We must keep in touch with one another.

Affectionately,

Remsen D. Bird

Mr. Palmer Beaudette RFD No. 1, Box 482 Solvang, California

Dear Ralmer:-

Dr. Arthur Larson, was here for two days as guest of Captain Balsley, USN. I had a luncheon for him at the Old Capital Club, and I wished that you could be there!

Look him up in Who's Who? He was director of the USIA and is the author of a book, entitled "A Republican Looks at His Party". He is now the head of a group of experts at Duke University concerned with International Law and how to make it work.

I gave him a copy of the Pacific Naturalist, the brochure and the folder on the Beaudette Foundation. When you go to Washington, I am sure that Congressman Teague will be glad to gather for an occasion, when you will be the guest of honor, a number of people who can be helpful and with whom we have been in correspondence.

During this months and the last, I think, Palmer we have proved that good seed has been planted and that many areas of counsel and cooperation are available.

I would like to keep Miss Roberts for at least a few weeks more. The money you sent for her, stamps, and other incidental expenses is about to be exhausted, and if she is to continue helping me, I will need to let her know at least by Monday.

I think that another \$200 would be ample for the present.

Miss Roberts was with the USIA in Washington, and is familiar with the affairs which concern us.

Attached is a page from "Advice and Consent" which puts the finger on the heart.

Yesterday Dr. Larson came to our home and brought his speech that he is to deliver to-morrow at the University of California and Miss Roberts typed it for him, and that was good.

Please note the generous letter from Admiral R. A. Bates who is writing the definitive history of the US Navy in the Second World War. I feel sure that we will have the cooperation of the Navy in the Beaudette Foundation activity.

At the luncheon yesterday we had, Larson, Spruance, Kefith, Lewis, Banfield, Balsley, and Groves. Carrol McKinney and Hartland Law joined us after the lunch.

March 9th, Phancellor Gould is coming up to spend the day with us.

P02502, Carmel, Cal February 12

Affectionately

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## BEAUDETTE FOUNDATION

For Biological Research

R.F.D. 1, BOX 482 — SOLVANG, CALIFORNIA

Admiral R. W. Bates, US Navy War College Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Didk:-

"Protected Conflict" should be read by every citizen of this beloved land! I will see it is done so by as many as I can, and as soon as I have finished with the reading of this copy, which you have, so thoughtfully, given me, I will pass it on to Raymond.

When I awoke this morning, I said to myself; "We have not yet begun to do the job we can, through this Monterey Institute! I want to get copies of all the books of the Foreign Policy Research Institute and all that are referred to in "Protracted Conflict" and add them to the Morse Library.

I read in The Chronicle that N. K. told the people of India that the United States was becoming "OLD". What's the answer? Shall we say "He is a nasty man, and it isn't true?"

Shall we look at the situation and consider what is to be done?

If Uncle Sam is going into senectitude, is there anything to do? Have we the proper hormones?

We shall not meet the subtle, constant forces of the protracted conflict, by storming at one another, calling names, letting the situation be exploited by those who plant fear - and often at one another - for some personal gain!

I am for my country, just as you are, whatever comes, but lets face what is wrong, and do what we can to right it. I am 72 years old and I would like very much to pass on an improved situation, a world in which there is vision, a better life, freedom of thought, moral strength, hope, faith, love, peace, fun, good neighbors, and the laws and ceremonies and communities, and whatever, — that promotes the same.

"Protracted Conflict" is not the uttering of a lot of frightened old ladies who see in critical judgment, and varied opinion something "subversive". product of some of the best brains of America, and this that we are trying to do through "The Monterey Institute of Foreign Studies" should be pointed to it!

Peoples have grown old, — and then something has happened and behold a new youth! !Where there is no vision, the people perish!!" We need to be strong in defense. We need to recognize that this enemy is what he is, and has the strength he has. Wexneed the space to be the contract of the co (Failed to move up typewriter! We need to face our limitations and get rid of them. We need to close ranks. It is not a job for "Mom". If our stimulating, creative desireable way of life is to be saved, "I have to save it!" That is the conviction full of hormones!!! February 13

Affectionately

February 12, 1960

Admiral R. W. Bates The War College Newport, Rhode Island

My Dear Dick:

How very kind you are to me! Your words of commendation are the purest oil on a wick that would otherwise sputter.

I have received the "Protracted Conflict", and shall read it immediately. I will share it also with Raymond and Captain Underwood et lia.

The attached excerpt from "Advise and Consent" is a finger pressing against the heart and pushing the will.

I found this quotation recently in "Blackbirds on the Lawn" by Jane Morton: "Do you want to know where evil begins today?' He answered his own question; 'It begins in Sommertown and in all the Sommertowns in this and every country. We don't need a world revolution; we need Sommertown revolutions." That's the way I see it, and it is exceedingly emphatic in the attached quotation.

We had a luncheon the other day for Dr. Arthur Larson who has held wide sway in international affairs. I am enclosing some letters on the subject.

The basic need, as I see it, is not International Law and its instruments, as important as both of them are. The basic need is moral integrity, understanding, and the acceptance of responsibilities. How you can work out International Law with those who do not share your moral principles and who are determined to assist in the deterioration of our way of life is quite beyond me!

Let's keep in touch with one another Dick — you, on your high seat doing the extremely important job you are doing, and I, up here on the bleachers with my wonderful companions. Helen joins in affectionate regards.

Sincerely,

Remsen D. Bird

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#### 19 February 1960

Rear Admiral R. W. Bates, USN(Ret) The Bohemian Club San Francisco, California

Dear Bates:

Thank you very much for your sympathetic letter of 15 February 1960 regarding the death of my brother Otto.

Otto had been ill with diabetes for many years and he suffered a stroke just before his death, so his passing was in reality a release.

It was nice seeing you the other day and I hope you will always come by to see us when you are in our area.

with best wishes and warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

C. W. NIMITZ
Fleet Admiral

U. S. Navy

#### ALLEN DRURY - "ADVISE AND CONSENT"

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"He could not say, looking back, exactly where the blame was to be placed; except that he knew, as he had told an audience in San Francisco only last week, that 'it lies on all of us.' A universal guilt enshrouded the middle years of the twentieth century in America; and it attached to all who participated in those times. It attached to the fatuous, empty-headed liberals who made it so easy for the Russians by yielding them so much; it attached to the embittered conservatives who had closed the doors on human love and frozen out all possibility of communication between peoples. It rested on the military, who had been too jealous of one another and too slow, and on the scientists, who had been too self-righteous and irresponsible and smug about shifting the implications of what they did onto someone else, and on the press, which had been too lazy and too compliant in the face of evils foreign and domestic, and on the politicians, who had been too self-interested and not true enough to the destiny of the land they had in keeping, and not least upon the ordinary citizen and his wife, who somehow didn't give quite enough of a damn about their country in spite of all their self-congratulatory airs about how patriotic they were. Nobody could stand forth now in America and say, 'I am guiltless. I had no part in this. I did not help bring America down from her bright pinnacle.' For that would be to deny that one lived through those years, and only babies and little children could say that."

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February 23, 1960

Dear Admiral:

I was delighted to get your long letter. I had the Morrises with me and we read it together. Tremendous applause!! I am afraid the stories you told would not go with the Shell Directors, at least, as a body.

I am glad to hear that Governor Brown has put his foot in it. I think he is now finished politically. His experience reminds me of President Arthur's story of his parrot. He had a parrot that he was very fond of, and an Irish terrier. The parrot amused himself by perching somewhere out of reach of the terrier and then saying, "sic 'em, sic 'em." This rendered the terrier furious, but he was helpless to retaliate. One evening, when the President came up to his bedroom where the parrot usually was, the floor was covered with feathers. He called out, "Polly, Polly," whereupon the parrot came from under the bed without a feather, and the President said, "Polly, what is the matter?" and she replied, "I talk too damn much."

I have never been at Pebble Beach, although I know the rest of California, except the very north, quite well. It must be a charming place.

Gus White gave a luncheon for sixteen in his house on Washington's birthday. I attended with the Morrises, and it was really a charming affair....good wine, good food, and interesting conversation.

My daughter Fanny is coming tomorrow to be with me for a couple of days, and then comes Marian for over Sunday; so I am being taken care of.

I hope California continues to give you good weather and pleasant companions. This takes you my very best.

Faithfully,

R. W. Bates, Rear Admiral, USN (Ret) c/o The Bohemian Club
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# UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH, HISTORY, AND GOVERNMENT

24 February 1960

Rear Admiral R. W. Bates, USN (Ret.) 12 Mt. Vernon Street Newport, Rhode Island

Bear Admiral Bates:

When I wrote to the Naval War College for information last week, I was surprised to learn that the Battle Evaluation Group had been dissolved. If that means that the monumental study of the Battle for Leyte Gulf will never be completed, it is a loss indeed.

What I was trying to get was Admiral Kurita's track in the Battle off Samar after about 0945 until he headed back directly toward northeast Samar, whence he headed back for San Bernardino Strait. In other words I am interested in his approximate track from 0945 till about 1330. In the present naval history textbook, The United States and World Sea Power, I constructed a track based on Field's description: due north from 0915 till 1800, then generally southwest till 1300, then northwest.

Captain Wulzen of the War College, after conferring with Captain Bern Anderson, referred me to Morison, XII, 297. I was however well acquainted with that description and seeking information precisely because I could make no sense out of it. First, Morison says Kurita moved due north till 1055; yet his diagram on page 265-5 shows him turning west at about 0950. Then Morison has him on a westerly course at 1147 "heading straight for Leyte Gulf." I can't fugure how Kurita could have been far enough south by that time to be heading "straight for Leyte Gulf" on a westerly course.

Have you any notes or recollections from your studies in connection with the Battle for Leyte Gulf that could help me get this track approximately correct? It is for a new naval history textbook which we are writing with the advice and assistance of Admiral Nimitz. The diagram doesn't have to be perfectly correct, but it should give the students a correct impression. If you have any notes or memories regarding Kurita's track, would you sketch it on the enclosed track chart. We shall all be most grateful.

Sincerely yours,

E. B. Potter



#### NAVAL WAR COLLEGE NEWPORT. RHODE ISLAND

March 14, 1960

Rear Admiral R. W. Bates, USN (Ret.) Bohemian Club San Francisco, California

Dear Admiral Bates,

Thank you very much for your thoughtfulness in sending a copy of the program of the Winter Olympics for the use of the Naval Command Course.

It is a welcome addition to our library and I am sure will be thoroughly enjoyed by all.

I am delighted to hear that you are well. It sounds as though you are having a wonderful vacation.

Thank you again and I am looking forward to seeing you upon your return to Newport.

Nancy joins me in best regards.

Sincerely,

Tom Kimmel